

Ione Cardinals wins 'A' volleyball Tournament

By Becky Wagenblast
The Ione Middle School Lady Cardinals beat the Umatilla Vikings on Thursday, Oct. 17 in a volleyball match.

The first game Ione beat the Vikings 15-7. Melissa McElligott had two scoring streaks to total 10 points.

The second game of the match Ione won 15-11. Marie Tworek was high scorer with five points. Ione played the three hits set-up well to finish the game.

On Saturday, Oct. 19, the Ione Middle School Lady Cardinals traveled to Stanfield to play in the "A" volleyball tournament. Ione won the tournament last year and was looking for another win this year.

In the first game Ione went up against the Heppner Ponies whom they had previously beaten. Becky Wagenblast served 11 straight points to help stop the Ponies. Ione beat Heppner 15-1.

The second game proved to be more difficult as the relaxed Cardinals let the Ponies edge into a 15-13 win for the cards. Melissa McElligott had some very hard serves to tie up the game.

In the semi-finals Ione met up with Athena. Ione had no problem getting a victory with a sweep 15-0. Marie Tworek served seven consecutive points.

In game two, Ione girls had several points served by Kara Miller,



Ione Middle School volleyball players

Photo by Pam Minster

Lynde Minster and LaRee Anderson. The Cardinals won 15-5.

In the championship game Ione met up with Echo the only other small school in the tournament.

Ione had a bad first game and lost 8-15. McElligott served up six

points.

The second game Ione was fired up and downed the Cougars 15-7. Wagenblast had nine straight points. Suzy Heideman and Dawn Boor had good play to help the Cardinals.

Game three Ione wanted to win bad and beat Echo 15-7. Heideman

served seven points. The Cards got in a lot of good bump, set, kills.

Coach Collins said, "The girls played excellent team work and really pulled through."

The Cardinals' last game is on Thursday, Oct. 24 at 2:30 p.m. in Ione.

Concert, stew feed sold out

By Delpha Jones

The Blue Mountain Fiddler's concert held at the Lexington Grange Hall on Saturday evening was well attended with the Grange's stew supper selling out early.

The concert and stew supper has

been planned for the third Saturday in October for 1992 and the Grange promises plenty of stew.

The concert has been an annual event at the Lexington Grange hall for several years.

Ralph Crum honored by OSU

Ralph Crum of Ione was one of 23 Diamond Pioneers honored at a luncheon by the Oregon State University College of Agricultural Sciences on October 23 on the Corvallis campus.

Crum is a native of Gilliam County where he started farming in 1943 at Blalock and Mikkalo. He still operates the ranch near Ione that he bought in 1946. A past president of the Morrow County Wheat League, Crum did some of the first research on the use of fertilizer in the county.

The Diamond Pioneer

Agricultural Career Achievement Registry recognizes contributions to the development of the state's agricultural and natural resources as well as service to OSU, community, industry and state.

The registry, begun when the college celebrated its 75th anniversary, honors those 75 or older. The luncheon was hosted by Roy Arnold OSU provost and former dean of agricultural sciences.

Others honored were Randy Doran, Helix; Doris Hoeft, Pendleton and Jeanne Gilbert, Pilot Rock.

Use pressure canner for canning meats

"If you're thinking of canning venison, poultry or red meat, be sure you do it in a pressure canner," points out Morrow County Extension agent, Carol Bennett. "That's because the higher temperatures reached under pressure are needed for safe canning of foods low in acid."

Persons considering canning venison or other meat should get a copy of the new Pacific Northwest bulletin on "Canning Meat, Poultry and Game" from the OSU Extension Service.

Written by a WSU Extension foods specialist, the publication includes general tips for quality can-

ning and charts showing USDA-recommended processing time for canners with dial or weighted gauges. In addition, the bulletin includes special recipes for chili con carne and mincemeat pie filling using venison. There are also directions for canning vegetable and meat soup.

Copies of "Canning Meat, Poultry and Game," PNW 361, may be obtained for 50 cents plus 25 cents for postage and handling by writing Publication Orders, Agricultural Communications, OSU, Administrative Services A422, Corvallis OR 97331-2119, or by contacting the Morrow County Extension Service, 676-9642.

Booster club plans chili feed

The Heppner High School Booster club has planned a chili feed/taillate party before the Heppner Weston-McEwen football game, Friday, Oct. 25, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Heppner Fairgrounds annex building. The tailgate party will be held outside, weather permitting.

Besides chili for \$1.50, the menu includes baked potato-\$1.50; chili and baked potato combo-\$2; brownie 50c, pop 75c and coffee 25c.

Hunting dog deaths caused by algae

At least five hunting dogs have died in eastern Oregon after consuming water containing large amounts of a deadly algae concentrated by drought and low water, according to an Ontario wildlife biologist.

"The dogs apparently drank from water covered with an algae bloom called Anabaena, a genus of blue-green algae," says Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife biologist Perren Baker. The algae appears as a greenish scum in warm, shallow, oxygen-deficient waters in shallow coves in and around reservoirs and cattle pounds, says Baker.

The problem is compounded when hunters bring dogs that aren't acclimated to the altitude and dry conditions of the high desert, the wildlife biologist explained. "The dogs over-consume water when they find it, ingesting lethal doses of the algae," he said.

The animals reportedly belonged to hunters who traveled from the Portland area to hunt chukars. Chukar season opened October 5. "Hunters need to carry fresh water for their dogs. Make sure that dogs have plenty of good, clean water," cautioned Baker.

Affected dogs show neurological disorders starting in the hind quarters and moving progressively forward. The animal eventually drops, has seizures and dies in eight to 10 hours. Resident animals don't seem to be affected by the algae, said Baker.

"It's just a good move to pack water for your dog when hunting in this country. Once you get out there, you probably won't find any water and if you do, it might be deadly to your dog," he said.

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